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50.	West Bengal	Dankuni, Distt. Hooghly	Modular Consultants Pvt. Ltd.	1996-97
51.	West Bengal	Haldia District Midnapore	Haldia Development Authority, Haldia.	2002-03
52.	West Bengal	Sultanpur, South 24 Parganas	State Fishermen's Cooperative Ltd., (BENFISH), Kolkata.	2003-04
53.	West Bengal	Malda	Deptt. of Food Processing Industries and Horticulture, Govt. of West Bengal.	2003-04
54.	West Bengal	Shankarapur, Distt. Purba Medinipur	Department of Fisheries, Aquaculture, Aquatic Resources, Govt. of West Bengal.	2004-05
55.	West Bengal	Sankhrail, Howrah	West Bengal Industrial Development Corporation (WBIDC).	2004-05
56.	West Begal	Murshidabad	M/s Pataka Industries Limited.	2005-06

Auction of coal blocks

*118. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in sharp contrast to the Coal Ministry's views to auction coal blocks to various sectors his Ministry has strongly opposed the move;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether his Ministry has written to PMO in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) to (d) Auction of coal blocks to various sectors is under consideration of the Government. Ministry of Mines has neither opposed nor written to the Prime Minister's Office opposing the auctioning of Coal blocks to various sectors.

Approval for private educational Institutions

*119. SHRI DHARAMPAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that promoters of private educational institutions like medical, dental and engineering colleges, require approval from the Central Government;

(b) if so, the reasons why the promoters of private colleges/institutions providing MBA and BBA courses are not taking similar approval from the All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) and the University Grants Commission (UGC); and

(c) the steps Government propose to take against such institutions, including the Indian Institute of Planning and Management, New Delhi, to safeguard the interest of student community?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) The Central Government, Department of Health and Family Welfare in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, on the recommendation of the Medical Council of India or Dental Council of India, as the case may be, considers the proposals of the promoters of private medical and dental colleges and gives approval under provisions of Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 and the Dentists Act, 1948 and regulations made thereunder respectively. As per Section 10 (k) of the All India Council for Technical Education (MCTE) Act, 1987, the AICTE, a statutory body under the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) grants approval for starting new technical institutions in engineering, pharmacy, architecture, town planning, management and applied arts and crafts.

The AICTE has been issuing Show Cause Notices individually to such technical institutions (including Indian Institute of Planning and Management, New Delhi) conducting unapproved courses as to why action should not be taken against them. Based on the responses received from the institutions, necessary action is being taken by the AICTE on case to case basis.

The AICTE has also issued Public Notices in the leading News Papers, informing students and the general public about the consequences of taking admissions in the unapproved technical institutions and has also advised institutions imparting technical education without AICTE approval, to obtain necessary approvals or close down the unapproved courses with immediate effect. In addition, a list of such unapproved institutions has also been published on the AICTE *website. www.aicte.ernet.in* for the information of students and the general public.

Sale price of natural gas

*120. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the sale price of natural gas from D6 block of KG basin is being increased abnormally, which would adversely affect the power sector;

(b) whether he has taken up the matter with his counterpart in the Ministry of 'Petroleum and Natural Gas and suggested some guidelines, based on which the sale price of natural gas is to be approved by them;

(c) if so, the details of guidelines and the reaction of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas thereto; and

(d) the action being contemplated to ensure that approved sale price is in line with the present benchmarked price, signed between NTPC and RIL?